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SUBJ: DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER TO DISCUSS CSCE WITH

SOVIETS

REF: A) GENEVA 3278 B) USNATO 2775

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1) IN A RATHER HURRIED CONVERSATION WILLIAM FRIIS-MOLLER,

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CSCE AND SOVIET AFFAIRS IN THE MFA, TOLD US OF DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER K.B. ANDERSEN'S AGENDA FOR HIS TALK WITH FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO IN MOSCOW THIS AFTERNOON MAY 27 (MOSCOW TIME). ANDERSEN IS COMING DIRECTLY FROM THE EC NINE FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING IN DUBLIN WHICH CONCENTRATED ON CSCE AND ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE ON THE SUBJECT. ALTHOUGH ANDERSEN WILL SPEAK ONLY AS THE DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER, THE MFA THINKS THE SOVIETS MAY REGARD HIS REMARKS AS REFLECTING EC NINE CONSENSUS.

2) ANDERSEN WILL TELL GROMYKO THAT SIGNIFICANT CONCESSIONS ON INTRASIGENT SOVIET POSITIONS REGARDING BASKET 3 (PARTICULARLY WORKING CONDITIONS FOR JOURNALISTS) AND CBMS (PARAMETERS OF GEOGRAPHIC AREA, LEVELS OF FORCES INVOLVED IN MANEUVERS, AND ADVANCE NOTICE) ARE NEEDED FOR MOVEMENT ON CSCE TO ALLOW FOR A LATE JULY SUMMIT IN HELSINKI.

3) AFTER THIS AFTERNOON'S MEETING WITH GROMYKO, ANDERSEN WILL JOIN THE PARTY OF VISITING QUEEN MARGARETHE UNTIL HE FLIES DIRECTLY FROM MOSCOW TO THE BRUSSELS NATO MEETING THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 29. FRIIS-MOLLER SAID ANDERSEN WILL UNDOUBTEDLY REPORT THE RESULTS OF HIS CONVERSATION TO HIS COUNTERPARTS THERE.

4) IN COMMENTING ON DISCUSSIONS AMONG THE EC NINE FOREIGN MINISTERS IN DUBLIN ON CSCE, FRIIS-MOLLER NOTED THAT THE NINE WERE STILL NOT IN AGREEMENT AMONG THEMSELVES ON SOME ISSUES. HE NOTED, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT ON FOLLOWUP THE NEUTRALS AND NON-ALIGNED SEEM INCLINED TO MOVE TOWARD THE DANISH PROPOSAL IF MEETINGS PRELIMINARY TO THE 1977 CONVOCATION COULD BE ASSURED. FRIIS-MOLLER SAID THE DANES WOULD BE WILLING TO GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO THE PROPOSAL OF THE NEUTRALS BECAUSE OF THEIR WILLINGNESS TO SUPPORT WESTERN POSITIONS ON OTHER CSCE ASPECTS, FOR EXAMPLE, BASKET 3 (REFTELS). THIS DANISH FLEXIBILITY, HOWEVER, WAS MET BY THE OUTSPOKEN OPPOSITION OF FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER SAUVAGNARGUES, WHO, IN EFFECT, CHARACTERIZED ANY GIVE ON THIS QUESTION AS "THE END OF WESTERN EUROPEAN UNITY". FRG FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER ALSO VOICED SOME OPPOSITION.

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